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- ☐ The TD fee of has not been submitted nor is there any authorization in the application file for the use of a deposit account (see ¶ 14.26.07).
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- ☐ The T.D. lacks the enforceable only during common ownership clause – needed to overcome a non-statutory double patenting rejection, Rule 321(b) (see ¶ 14.27.01).
- ☐ The T.D. is directed to a particular claim(s), which is not acceptable since “the disclaimer must be for a terminal portion of the term of the entire patent to be granted” (MPEP 1490) (see ¶¶ 14.26 & 14.26.02).
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- ☐ No documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original inventor(s) to assignee has been submitted, nor is the reel and frame number specified as to where such evidence is recorded in the Office (see 37 CFR 3.73(b) and 1140 O.G. 72). NOTE: This documentary evidence or the specifying of the reel and frame number may be found in the T.D. or in a separate paper of record in the application (see ¶ 14.30).
- ☐ The T.D. is not signed (see ¶¶ 14.26 & 14.26.03).
- ☐ The serial number of the application (or the number of the patent) which forms the basis for the double patenting rejection is missing or incorrect (see ¶ 14.32).
- ☐ The serial number of this application (or the number of the patent in reexam or reissue cases being disclaimed is missing or incorrect (see ¶¶ 14.26, 14.27.02 or 14.26.05).
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PANA-01046USD

In re Application of: **Richard M. Ehrlich**

Application No.: **10/665,226**

Filed: **9/18/2003**

For: **METHODS FOR LIMITING CHANNEL CONTROL VALUES TO THEREBY IMPROVE SERVO-DEMODULATION ROBUSTNESS**

The owner, **Matsushita Electric Industrial**, of **100** percent interest in the instant application hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of any patent granted on pending reference Application Number **10/665,264**, filed on **09/18/2003**, as such term is defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, and as the term of any patent granted on said reference application may be shortened by any terminal disclaimer filed prior to the grant of any patent on the pending reference application. The owner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and any patent granted on the reference application are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

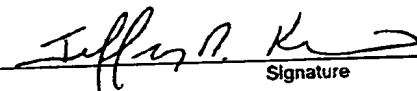
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Sir:

The below-identified Assignee is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/665,226, filed September 18, 2003 (Atty. Docket No. PANAP-01046USD), by virtue of an assignment from the inventor.

The Assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 29, 2004, at Reel 014292, Frames 0006 - 0008.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the Assignee.

Assignee hereby appoints the attorneys of FLIESLER MEYER LLP, Customer No. 23910, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent & Trademark Office connected therewith; said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventor and the inventor's attorney(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §3.71.

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Signature: Hiroki Naito Date: May 24, 2005

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